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SUMMARY: GOVERNMENT-OWNED DAILY NEWS OF JUNE 23 CARRIED
FEATURE STORY "BY OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDE" ON "US POLICY
AND SOUTHERN AFRICA." PRINCIPAL POINTS OF STORY ARE:

-- US WISHES TO MEET AFRICAN DEMANDS FOR MAJORITY RULE IN
SOUTHERN AFRICA WITHOUT LOOSENING ITS ECENOMIC AND POLITICAL
GRIP ON WHITE-RULED TERRITORIES.

-- US FOREIGN POLICY IS DOMINATED BY CONCERN FOR STRENGTHENING
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CAPITALIST SYSTEM AGAINST SOCIALIST CHALLENGE.

-- US VIEWS BRINGING ABOUT CHANGE IN SOUTHERN AFRICA AS ITS
PREROGATIVE.

-- FLURRY OF US ACTIVITY IN SOUTHERN AFRICA WAS CAUSED BY US
DESIRE TO AVOID VETOING UN RESOLUTIONS ON MANDATORY ECONOMIC

AND MILITARY SANCTIONS AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA.

-- ANY STRONG MORAL PRONOUNCEMENTS ON SOUTHERN AFRICA BY THE
US MASK A PLAN "TO BRING THE SOUTH AFRICAN ECONOMY INTO LINE
WITH NEEDS OF WESTERN ECONOMIES."

TEXT FOLLOWS. END SUMMARY.

1. BEGIN TEXT: ANYONE VISITING THE UNITED STATES THESE DAYS
CANNOT FAIL TO NOTICE THAT EVENTS IN SOUTHERN AFRICA ARE NOW PAGE
ONE STORIES OF THE "NEW YORK TIMES" AND THE "WASHINGTON POST."
THE DRASTIC CHANGES IN THE POLITICAL LANDSCAPE OF SOUTHERN AFRICA,
HAVE FORCED THE UNITED STATES TO REVIEW ITS POLICY TOWARDS THE AREA.
OFFICIALS IN WASHINGTON SAY THAT THE REVIEW IS STILL UNDERWAY.

HOWEVER, A STUDY OF SOME OF THE STATEMENTS MADE BY PRESIDENT
CARTER'S MEN "IN-CHARGE" OF AFRICA GIVES A CONTEXT IN WHICH
EDUCATED GUESSES CAN BE MADE AS TO WHAT POLICY THE AMERICAN
LEADERSHIP IS LIKELY TO FOLLOW.

TO BEGIN WITH, THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT HAS OF LATE BEEN BUSY
ORCHESTRATING A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF THE CONFLICTS IN ZIMBABWE
AND NAMIBIA. THE AIM IS TO ACCEDE TO THE DEMANDS FOR AFRICAN
MAJORITY RULE WITHOUT LOOSENING THE ECONOMIC AND THEREFORE
POLITICAL GRIP ON THOSE COUNTRIES.

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WHERE THE RULERS OF THE UNITED STATES LOOK AT THE EXAMPLES OF
MOZAMBIQUE AND ANGOLA, THEY KNOW THAT IF THE MILITARY CONFLICTS
IN ZIMBABWE AND NAMIBIA CONTINUE, CONTROL OF SOUTHERN AFRICA
WILL NOT BE CERTAIN.

PRESENTLY, US FOREIGN POLICY FORMULATION IS DOMINATED BY A
SCHOOL OF THOUGHT WHOSE MEMBERS ARE KNOWN COLLECTIVELY AS THE
TRILATERAL COMMISSION. THIS COMMISSION IS COMPOSED OF EXECUTIVES
OF MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS, PRESIDENTS OF BANK AND INSURANCE
COMPANIES, PROFESSORS AND GOVERNMENT LEADERS FROM EUROPE, JAPAN
AND THE UNITED STATES.

" THEIR PRIMARY CONCERN," ACCORDING TO A STUDY OF THE COMMISSION,
"IS TO RESTORE TO HEALTH THE WORLD CAPITALIST SYSTEM AND TO ACCOM-
MODATE THE DEMANDS OF THE THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES AT A MINIMAL COST
TO THE INDUSTRIAL COUNTRIES. THEY ARE NATURALLY CONCERNED ABOUT
THE GROWING STRENGTH OF THE SOCIALIST COUNTRIES BUT THEY BELIEVE THE
CHALLENGE OF THE SOCIALIST WORLD CAN BE CONTAINED IF THE WESTERN
ECONOMIES REMAIN STRONG."

BECAUSE OF THE PREDOMINANCE OF THIS SCHOOL OF THOUGHT, THE
POLITICAL STYLE AND TONE OF THE NEW ADMINISTRATION IN WASHINGTON

TENDS TO REFLECT POLITICAL COMPROMISE AND AN EAGERNESS TO HELP WITH ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

IN THE PAST, AMERICAN POLICY STRATEGIST CONCENTRATED ON PUTTING INTO POWER AND MAINTAINING PUPPETS AROUND THE WORLD. THESE PUPPETS MADE SURE THAT THERE WERE NO RESTRICTIONS ON THE OPERATIONS OF AMERICAN CAPITAL IN THEIR COUNTRIES. THE NEW AMERICAN ADMINISTRATION WOULD CERTAINLY LIKE TO SEE PUPPETS IN POWER IN SOUTHERN AFRICA BUT THEY ARE WARY OF MILITARY ADVENTURE ABROAD TO SUPPORT THEM, THANKS TO VIETNAM.

THE ADMINISTRATION'S NEW STILE IS REFLECTED BY THE US AMNASSADOR TO THE UNITED NATIONS, ANDREW YOUNOG , IN ANINTERVIEW WITH AFICAN MAGAZINE. WHEN THE AMBASSADOR WAS ASKED WHAT WAS HIS GOVERN-
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MENT'S PRIORITY IN SOUTHERN AFRICA" :THE STOPPING OF COMMUNISM OR SUPPORT OF MAJORITY RULE?" YOUNG REPLIED: "I THINK WE CROSSED THE HURDLE TO SOME EXTENT IN ANGOLA, WHEN WE CAME TO REALIZE THAT ANY GOVERNMENT IN SOUTHERN AFRICA WILL NOT REMAIN COMMUNITY FOR LONG....THE ECONOMIC INTEREST OF SOUTHERN AFRICA, OF BLACK AFRICA, REQUIRES MARKETS FOR THEIR RESOURCES...IMEAN, ZAIRE HAS TO SELL ITS COPPER AND SO DOES ZAMBIA TO SURVIVE. ANGOLA NEEDS TO SELL ITS OIL. NOW THE RUSSIANS AND CHINESE ARE NOT IMPORTING ANY NATURAL RESOURCES, BECAUSE THEY'VE GOT ALL THE RESOURCES THEY CAN UTLIZE AND THEY DON'T HAVE ENOUGH CAPITAL AND TECHNOLOGY TO DEVELOP THEIR OWN RESOURCES IN THE SOVIET UNION. SO IF THE RESOURCES OF AFRICAN ARE GOING TO BE DEVELOPED EVEN IN CONDITIONS OF A SOCIALIST STATE, AFRICAN HAS GOT TO SELL ITS RESOURCES TO THE WEST."

AMBSSADOR YOUNG HAS ARGUED THAT THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT SHOULD WELCOME THE PRESENT LEADERSHIP IN ANGOLA AND MOZAMBIQUE. REGARDLESS OF THEIR STATED POLITICAL BELIEFS OF SOCILAISM AND MARXIST

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LENINISM, AMBASSADOR YOUNG MAINTAINS THAT MOST OF THE LEADERS IN AFRICA WERE SCHOOLED IN THE WESTERN CHRISTRIAN TRADITIONS.

THE UNITES TATES IS THEREFORE CURRENTLU TRYING TO CONVINCE BOTH IAN SMITH AND JOHN VORSTER THAT IT IS IN THEIR BEST INTEREST TO INITIATE THE NECESSARY RACIAL AND POLITICAL ACCOMMODATIONS IN THEIR RESPECTIVE COUNTRIES. IF, AS IT ISLIKELY, NEITHER VORSTER NOR SMITH MAKES VOLUTARY CHANGES, THE US IS GOING TO SUPPORT MEMBERS OF THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY WHO HAVE ENOUGH SENSE TO PUSH FOR POLITICAL REFORMS TO PROTECT THEIR ECONOMIC STATUS QUO.

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IN THE CONSIDERATION OF ALL OPTIONS, THERE IS AN UNSTATED BUT UNDERSTOOD ASSUMPTION THAT ALL CHANGE IN SOUTHERN AFRICA MUST BE MANAGED AND SUPERVISED BY THE WESTERN POWERS; AFRICA, ESPECIALLY THE FRONT-LINE STATES, WILL BE MERELY USED AS A SOUNDING BOARD.

WHILE IT IS OBVIOUS THAT THE PRESSURES FOR CHANGE ARE COMING FROM THE AFRICAN NATIONALISTS, THE US IRONICALLY STILL VIEWS THE ABILITY TO MAKE CHANGE AS THEIR PREROGATIVE.

IN ZIMBABWE, FOR EXAMPLE, THE AMERICAN (ACCORDING TO PUBLISHED REPORTS) ARE CALLING FOR TALKS AT WHICH A NEW CONSTITUTION WOULD BE DRAWN UP. AMERICAN DIPLOMATS, ACCORDING TO THE "WASHINGTON POST," BELIEVE THAT A DEAL COULD BE WORKED OUT TO SHAVE OFF AN EXTREME AT EITHER END OF THE POLITICAL SPECTRUM. (ONE SO-CALLED UNCLASSIFIED

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EXTREME END ARE GUERRILLA LEADERS OF ZIPA).

THERE HAS ALSO BEEN IN RECENT DAYS, A GREAT FLURRY OF ACTIVITY CONCERNING NAMIBIA. THE FLURRY OF ACTIVITY WAS CAUSED BY THE DESIRE OF THE UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE AT THE UN NOT TO BE

FORCED INTO VETOING THE AFRICAN NATIONS RESOLUTIONS FOR MANDATORY ECONOMIC AND MILITARY SANCTIONS AGAINST THE APARTHEID REGIME.

THE ATTITUDES OF THE AMERICANS TOWARDS A SOLUTION OF THE RACIAL AND ECONOMIC CONFLICT IN THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA HAVE ALSO BEEN OUTLINED BY ANDREW YOUNG.

HE BELIEVES SINCERELY THAT THE EXPERIENCES OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENTS IN THE US COULD SERVE IN GOOD STEAD IN SOLVING THE PROBLEMS OF SOUTH AFRICA.

AS YOUNG RELATES THE STORY: IN BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA IN 1963 THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENTS PROTESTED FOR MONTHS THE SEGREGATIONIST POLICIES OF THAT CITY. ALL THAT THE PTOTESTERS GOT FOR THEIR TROUBLES WERE DOG BITES, CLUBS AGAINST THEIR BODIES, JAIL CELLS, AND FIRE HOSES TURNED ON THEM.

THE PERSON IN CHARGE OF INFLECTING PAIN ON THE DEMONSTRATORS WAS A FELLOW NAMED BULL CONNORS, THE POLICE CHIEF OF BIRMINGHAM. AFTER MONTHS OF PROTEST AND NO CHANGE IN THE SITUATION, THE LATE DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, LEASER OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENTS, HAD A CONVERSATION IN NEW YORK WITH THEN PRESIDENT OF UNITED STATES STEEL, A MR. BLOUGH -- WHO HAPPENED TO BE THE LARGEST EMPLOYER IN BIRMINGHAM.

ACCORDING TO THE STROY, THE PRESIDENT OF UNITED STATES STEEL PICKED UP THE PHONE, CALLED HIS PLANT MANAGER IN BIRMINGHAM AND TOLD HIM TO PUT AN END TO SEGREGATION AND TO ALSO PUT AN END UNCLASSIFIED

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TO THE POLITICAL CAREER OF BULL CONNORS.

SEEMING TO HEED THE ADVISE OF ANDREW YOUNG, THE CHAIRMAN OF CHASE MANHATTAN CORPORATION, DAVID ROCKEFELLER, IN A STATEMENT AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF HIS CORPORATION ON APRIL 19, 1977 SAYS: "WE (CASE MANHATTAN) SHOULD SEEK TO AVOID BUSINESS WITH IDENTIFIABLE HARMFUL RESULTS, AND ASSURE THAT WE ALWAYS CAREFULLY EVALUATE THE LONG-TERM AS WELL AS SHORT-TERM, MEANING OF OUR DECISION. IN SOUTH AFRICA THIS APPROACH HAS RESULTED IN A LENDING POLICY, TEND TO SUPPORT THE APATRTHEID POLICIES OF THE SOUT H AFRICA GOVERNMENT OR REINFORCE DISCRIMINATORY BUSSINESS PRACTICES. CONVERSELY, WE ARE WILLING TO CONSIDER LOAN PROPOSALS FOR PROJECTS OF A PRODUCTIVE NATURE WHICH WE BELIEVE WILL RESULT IN SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC BENEFITS FOR ALL SOUTH AFRICANS ...CURRENTLY WE ARE NOT EXTENDING LOANS TO NAIMIBIA, THE HOMELANDS OR THE BORDER INDUSTRIES. GENERAL PURPOSE LOANS TO THE GOVERNMENT OR TO PARASTATAL INSTITUTIONS ARE ALSO DISCOURAGED."

DAVID ROCKEFELLER , ALSO A MEMBER OF THE TRILATERAL COMMISSION,

IS USING THE POWER OF FINANCE CAPITAL TO EXACT OBEDIENCE FROM AND SUBORDINATION OF THE APARTHEID SYSTEM TO THE DESIRES OF INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER.

THE PROBLEM, FOR THE CARTER FOREIGN POLICY STRATEGIST, IS ONE OF GETTING RID OF THE POLITICAL CAUSES THAT ARE DAMAGING THE SOUTH AFRICA ECONOMY. AMBASSADOR YOUNG ARGUES THAT AFRICANS MUST BE GIVEN A STAKE IN THE CAPITALIST SYSTEM. THEY MUST BE ABLE TO JOIN THE PROFESSIONS, SEND THEIR CHILDREN TO COLLEGE, HAVE EQUAL PAY FOR EQUAL WORK. ALTHOUGH THESE ECONOMIC "OPPORTUNITIES" WILL APPLY TO ONLY A FEW AFRICANS IN SOUTH AFRICA, THE PROSPECT OF JUST NUMBERS OF AFRICANS INTO MAKING IT INTO THE STEM AS OPPOSED TO TEARING IT DOWN.

OVER THE NEXT FEW MONTHS WE ARE LIKELY TO HEAR STRONG MORAL STANDBARDS FROM THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION ON SOUTHERN AFRICA. HOW-
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EVER, THE MORAL STAND, LIKE THE COMING OF MISSIONARIES TO AFRICA, MASKS AN ECONOMIC DESIGN TO BRING THE SOUTH AFRICAN ECONOMY INTO LINE WITH NEEDS OF WESTERN ECONOMIES.
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